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Liberal Holds Down the Heat

The Liberal Bee Jays won their series with the Haysville Heat by gaining a 5-2 victory over the visitors Sunday nightat Brent Gould Field. Liberal remains a half game out of first place behind Dodge City after the victory.

Northeast Texas CC right hander Justin Schnedler (1-0) pitched six innings striking out four and walking one for the win. He allowed two runs. Seminole State's Cale Russell pitched two scoreless innings before Grayson's Ray Ashford pitched a scoreless ninth for his first save.

The Heat scored a run in the first before the BJ's tied it in the bottom of the inning when OCU's Johnathan Sigado singled home UTA's Travis Sibley with two outs. The Bee Jays took a brief 2-1 lead when Wichita State's Dayne Parker led off the fourth with a double and scored on a two out single by Seward's Tanner Rainey. The Heat tied it in the fifth but Liberal plated three in the bottom of the inning. Wichita State's Tyler Baker doubled to lead off the inning. Parker drove home two with a single to right and Sigado hit a sacrifice fly.

Parker was 2-4 with two RBI's while Sigado was 1-2 with two RBI's. Rainey was 2-4.

Liberal is 18-7 overall and 12-7 in the Jayhawk as the last place Heat fall to 7-15.

Elsewhere in the Jayhawk, Dodge City scored five in the ninth with two outs to tie it and won 9-8 in 10 to sweep Derby. Hays beat El Dorado 7-6 in Hays.

Dodge City 12-6

Liberal 12-7

Hays 11-8

El Dorado 10-12

Derby 9-13

Haysville 7-15

Monday night it's Hays at Dodge City and Derby at El Dorado.

The Bee Jays host Hays Tuesday night at 7 p.m. on Brent Gould Field. Days Inn and State Farm Jerry Harding are the buyout sponsors for the game which will air on Talkradio 1270 and kscbnews.net.

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